

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Application of: )  
Cha Deok DONG et al. )  
Application No.: To be assigned ) Group Art Unit: Unknown  
Filed: Concurrently herewith ) Examiner: Unknown  
For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING )  
FLASH MEMORY DEVICE )

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please replace claims 1-9, with the following: